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E. O. 11652: GES

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SUBJECT: POLISH VIEWS ON ICCS

1. PALASZ, FIRST SECRETARY, POLISH EMBASSY, CALLED ON USDEL OFFICER JUNE 1 TO DISCUSS THE CURRENT ICCS SITUATION AND THE KISSINGER- THO TALKS.
2. ON ICCS, PALASZ WAS ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN OBTAINING INDICATIONS OF US VIEWS ON FAVORED CANDIDATES TO SUCCEED CANADA. (USDEL OFFICER REPLIED ALONG THE LINES OF PARA. FOUR, STATE 103877, I. E., WITHOUT NAMING ANY INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES.)
3. PALASZ ADMITTED THAT POLAND HAD BEEN SURPRISED WHEN CANADA ACTUALLY CARRIED OUT ITS WARNINGS AND SERVED NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL. AS HE HAD IN PAST CONVERSATIONS, PALASZ COMPLAINED THAT WITHIN ICCS POLAND FOUND HERSELF IN AN EXTREMELY COMPLICATED AND EMBARRASSING SITUATION. THE TENOR OF HIS REMARKS UNMISTAKEABLY WAS THAT POLAND HAD FOUND HERSELF COMPELLED TO ACT CONTRARY TO OBJECTIVITY AND COMMON SENSE, IN ORDER TO SUSTAIN VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST INTERESTS WITHIN THE COMMISSION' S ACTIVITIES.
4. MOREOVER, POLAND HAD INVITED DRV VICE FOREIGN MINISTER
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NGUYEN CO THACH TO VISIT WARSAW AT HIS EARLIEST CONVENIENCE. WHILE THACH HAD NOT YET RESPONDED TO THE INVITATION HE HAD IRKED THE GOP SOMEWHAT BY VISITING BUDAPEST RECENTLY. PALASZ MADE IT CLEAR THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE TALKS WAS TO COMPLAIN

TO THACH ABOUT THE PRG (SIC).

5. POLAND HAD REACHED A POINT OF INTENSE FRUSTRATION WITH THE PRG, ACCORDING TO PALASZ' DESCRIPTION. HE CITED SUCH " IRRESPONSIBLE" PRG ACTIONS AS FIRINGS ON ICCS HELICOPTERS, WANTON SHELLING, INCESSANT ACCUSATIONS (" EXAGGERATIONS") AGAINST THE GVN, AND FAILURE TO MAN TPJMC POSITIONS. MOREOVER, THE POLISH ICCS CONTINGENT HAD BEEN UNABLE TO FIND AUTHORITATIVE, COMPETENT PRG OFFICIALS WITH WHOM TO LODGE THEIR COMPLAINTS. IN CONSEQUENCE, THE GOP INTENDED TO TAKE UP SUCH MATTERS WITH THACH IN WARSAW AS SOON AFTER THE KISSINGER- THO TALKS AS POSSIBLE.

6. COMMENT: PALASZ HAD JUST RETURNED FROM TDY IN TURKEY AS ESCORT TO PRIMIN JAROSZEWICZ. HE ACCOMPANIED THE LATTER TO WARSAW AFTERWARDS AND CONFERRED WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, ESPECIALLY THE ASIAN SECTION. PALASZ WAS CLEARLY ATTEMPTING TO DEMONSTRATE TO USDEL OFFICER THAT HE, PALASZ, HAD OBTAINED AUTHORITATIVE GUIDANCE AND WAS ACTING DE

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